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SUBJECT: SOURCE OF PORTUGAL'S CRUDE PETROLEUM
SUPPLY AND POSSIBLE RAMIFICATIONS OF ARAB
BOYCOTT

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1. FOLLOWING IS BREAKDOWN BY COUNTRY OF SUPPLIERS OF CRUDE PETROLEUM TO PORTUGAL IN 1976:
IRAQ 30 PERCENT
SAUDI ARABIA 28 PERCENT
IRAN 20 PERCENT
USSR 17 PERCENT
TOTAL SUPPLY: 5,876,003 METRIC TONS.

2. BREAKDOWN FOR FIRST QUARTER 1977, AS FOLLOWS:
IRAQ 47 PERCENT
SAUDI ARABIA 17 PERCENT
IRAN 21 PERCENT
USSR 13 PERCENT
KUWAIT 2 PERCENT
TOTAL SUPPLY: 1,292,002 METRIC TONS.
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3. ABOVE DATA ILLUSTRATE PORTUGAL WOULD BE CONFRONTED WITH GRAVE SITUATION SHOULD ARABS IMPLEMENT RUMORED SEPTEMBER 3 PETROLEUM BOYCOTT. PORTUGUESE DEPENDENCY ON ARAB COUNTRIES INCREASED FROM 58 PERCENT IN 1976 TO 66 PERCENT DURING FIRST QUARTER OF 1977. ONLY ALTERNATIVE REGULAR SUPPLIERS TO ARABS ARE IRAN AND

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USSR.

4. USSR COULD OFFER PORTUGAL INCREASED SUPPLIES
IN CASE OF BOYCOTT. OFFER MIGHT BE DIFFICULT TO REFUSE
IF NO ALTERNATIVE SOURCES WERE AVAILABLE.
POSSIBLE ALTERNATE SOURCE OF ANGOLA NOT FEASIBLE
BECAUSE PORTUGUESE REFINING CAPACITY UNSUITABLE FOR
CABINDAN CRUDE.

5. EMBASSY REQUESTS DEPT. ASSESSMENT ON POSSIBILITY
PORTUGAL COULD QUICKLY OBTAIN ALTERNATE SOURCE OF SUPPLY.
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